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Ex parte STEPHEN R. HANSON and EDWARD J. RADLEY

Application No. 09/097,468

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on August 9, 2002. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

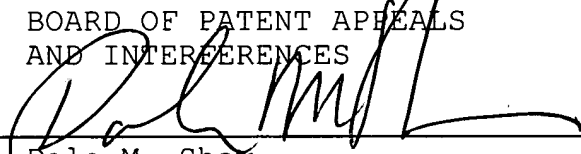
On April 19, 2001, appellants filed an Appeal Brief (Paper No. 13). A review of the file reveals that the required fee was not charged for the Appeal Brief. Before further review of this file, the Appeal Brief fee must be applied to the appellants' account.

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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that this application be returned to the examiner for: 1) entry of the Appeal Brief fee; and 2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

It is important that the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences be informed promptly of any action affecting the status of this appeal (i.e., abandonment, issue, reopening prosecution).

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